

April 27, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

We, the Board of Directors of the Tulare Local Healthcare District, hereby support and affirm the identified request(s) for funding from the State of California as necessary to complete the required seismic expansion of our Tulare hospital.

Sincerely,

Kevin Northcraft Board President

Mike Jamaica Board Vice President

Margaret Edler Board Treasurer

Xavier Avila Board Secretary

Brandon Taylor Board Member



April 21, 2022

Office of Assembly Member Devon Mathis 100 West Willow Plaza Suite 405 Visalia, CA 93291

Honorable Assembly Member Mathis:

The first meeting of the Tulare Local Hospital (now Healthcare) District Board of Directors (District) took place on February 25, 1946. Since that time, our District community has relied on our local hospital in moments ranging from birth to death.

An expansion project for the hospital, intended to address seismic compliance standards required to be completed by 2030, was initiated with a general obligation bond measure in 2005. Construction began in 2010 and was subsequently halted in 2015. All bond funds were utilized prior to cessation of construction.

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The planned addition to our hospital remains to be completed. Per our Architect of Record (as approved by HCAI) the current estimate for completion is \$90 million. Our request is that, in this unique situation, our California State Legislature and Governor provide us with the funding necessary to complete the project; thereby serving our mutual constituents.

Based on the latest census data provided as part of our re-districting effort, the District serves in excess of 88,000 individuals. Our population is identified as 65% of Hispanic/Latino descent and (based on HRSA data) our District is identified as a Medically Underserved Area (MUA).

Assembly Member Mathis, I appreciate your consideration of our situation. Feel free to contact me with any questions or requests for additional information.

Sincerely,

Philip M. Smith

Chief Executive Officer

Tulare Local Healthcare District



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Office of Senator Melissa Hurtado 611 North Douty Street Hanford, CA 93230

Honorable Senator Hurtado:

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April 22, 2022

Office of Senator Shannon Grove 5701 Truxton Avenue Suite 150 Bakersfield, CA 93309

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April 29, 2022

Office of Senator Nancy Skinner Chair of the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee 1515 Clay Street, Suite 2202 Oakland, CA 94612

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Office of Assembly Member Phil Ting Chair of the Assembly Budget Committee 455 Golden Gate Avenue, Suite 14600 San Francisco, CA 94102

Honorable Assembly Member Ting:

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